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In the Claims:

20. (Currently Amended) A method for locking a folding knife in an opened position, the folding knife comprising a handle, a blade rotatably connected to the handle, the blade having at least one lock member receiving recess, a lock bar pivotally connected to the handle and ~~movable~~ moveable between an engaged position and a disengaged position, the lock bar comprising at least one lock member, and a lock pin connected to the handle adjacent the at least one lock member, the method comprising:

moving the blade to the opened position; and

moving the lock bar to the engaged position so that a portion of the at least one lock member contacts a respective portion of the blade adjacent the at least one lock member recess to thereby define a contact point between the lock member and the blade when the blade is in the opened position.